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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Official Action dated March 1, 2004. Amendments to the claims are shown in the separate pages 2-6 which follow.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this Amendment in connection with the above identified U.S. Patent Application is being deposited with the United States Postal Service and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450 on June 1, 2004.

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